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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA")

Notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree ("Decree") in *United States v. Pacific Hide and Fur Depot, Inc., et al*, Civil Action No. 83-4052, was lodged on July 31, 1998, with the United States District Court for the District of Idaho.

The complaint and amended complaints filed in the above-referenced matter allege that defendants Pacific Hide and Fur Depot, Inc., William N. McCarty, Michael McCarty, Terry McCarty, Sherry McCarty Christianson, Richard McCarty, Dayna McCarty Sanna, McCarty's Inc., Pacific Fruit Express Company and Union Pacific Railroad Company (together "Settling Defendants"), are jointly and severally liable for the United States' response costs at the McCarty's/Pacific Hide and Fur Superfund Site ("Site") in Pocatello, Idaho, pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a).

The Site is comprised of 17 acres located in northwest Pocatello, Idaho that as used as part of a gravel mining operation as early as 1949, and as a metal salvaging yard beginning in the late 1950s and continuing until approximately 1979. Metal was salvaged at the Site from many sources, including transformers, which were stored in and around a gravel pit ("Pit") in the southwest corner of the Site. Lead from lead-acid batteries was also salvaged at the Site. As a result of these activities, the Site was contaminated with lead and polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs"), which are hazardous substances within the meaning of CERCLA, and the United States incurred response costs responding to the release or threat of release of these hazardous substances at the Site.

Under the proposed Decree, Settling Defendants shall pay the United States approximately \$2.563 million towards the United States' approximately \$5.78 million in past costs at the Site. Settling Defendants also agree to comply with all provisions of a Unilateral

Administrative Order ("UAO") issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") on July 12, 1996 (and amended on April 28, 1998), which includes the requirement that Settling Defendants perform portions of the remedial work at the Site and reimburse EPA for the costs of overseeing those portions of the remedial work. Settling Defendants have already completed the remedial work required under the July, 1996 UAO. Although EPA has not yet tabulated the cost of overseeing Settling Defendants' work under the UAO, the current estimate of these costs is \$200,000. Finally, Settling Defendants agree to place permanent deed restrictions prohibiting future excavation in a small area of the Site that may contain subsurface contamination. In exchange, the Decree provides Settling Defendants a covenant not to sue under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606-9607.

Sampling shows that the entire Site is now cleaned to residential levels.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Pacific Hide and Fur Depot, Inc., et al*, DOJ Ref. #90-11-2-47.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, District of Idaho, P.O. Box 32, Boise, Idaho, 83707, (208) 334-1211; the Region X Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101, (206) 553-1796; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy of the Decree, *with all attachments*, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$65.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library. In requesting a copy of the Decree *without the attachments*, please enclose a check in the amount of \$10.50.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated March 16, 1998, and published in the **Federal Register** on March 27, 1998, (63 FR 14963), Ganes Chemicals, Inc., Industrial Park Road, Pennsville, New Jersey 08070, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed below:

Drug	Schedule
Methylphenidate (1724)	II
Amobarbital (2125)	II
Pentobarbital (2270)	II
Secobarbital (2315)	II
Glutethimide (2550)	II
Methadone (9250)	II
Methadone-intermediate (9254) ...	II
Dextropropoxyphene, bulk (non-dosage forms) (9273).	II

The firm plans to manufacture the listed controlled substances for distribution as bulk products to its customers.

DEA has considered the factors in 21 U.S.C. 823(a) and determined that the registration of Ganes Chemicals, Inc. to manufacture the listed controlled substances is consistent with the public interest at this time. Therefore, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 823 and 28 CFR 0.100 and 0.104, the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, hereby orders that the application submitted by the above firm for registration as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed above is granted.

Dated: June 23, 1998.

John H. King,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of
Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Application

Pursuant to Section 1301.33(a) of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this is notice that in a letter dated February 5, 1998, Organix, Inc., 240 Salem Street, Woburn, Massachusetts